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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texas A&M University--Commerce alumnus Gene 2 Casselberry has been selected as a recipient of the prestigious

- 3 Spirit of Mayo Award; and
- WHEREAS, Named in honor of William L. Mayo, founder of Texas
- 5 A&M University--Commerce, the Spirit of Mayo Award recognizes
- 6 individuals who embody the credo "ceaseless industry, fearless
- 7 investigation, unfettered thought, and unselfish service to
- 8 others"; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Casselberry graduated from the university in
- 10 1965, receiving a bachelor's degree in agricultural education, and
- 11 earned a master's degree in educational administration in 1966;
- during his college years, he served in student government and was a
- 13 member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity; and
- 14 WHEREAS, For more than three decades, this business leader
- 15 has worked at Drake Furniture, where he has employed many students
- 16 of his alma mater; he remains a valued member of the Alumni
- 17 Association Board of Directors and Foundation Board and has
- 18 received the Gold Blazer Award for his dedicated service; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Active in a host of worthy organizations, Mr.
- 20 Casselberry was named Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1988; he is
- 21 currently board president of the United Way of Commerce and the
- 22 Commerce Water District and contributes his time and talents to the
- 23 Downtown Merchants Association and the Downtown Celebration of
- 24 Lights Committee; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Mr. Casselberry's commendable record of service to
- 2 his alma mater and his community makes him a truly worthy recipient
- 3 of the Spirit of Mayo Award; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Gene
- 6 Casselberry on receiving the Spirit of Mayo Award and extend to him
- 7 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
- 8 further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Mr. Casselberry as an expression of high regard by the
- 11 Texas House of Representatives.